## **MEMORANDUM**



## Missouri Department of Transportation Maintenance Operations 2211 St. Mary's Blvd.

**TO:** All District Engineers

**CC:** Steve McDonald-tr

**FROM:** Jim Carney

State Maintenance Engineer

**DATE:** December 24, 2003

**SUBJECT:** Temporary Traffic Control

Traffic Control for Field Operations Revision Fresh Oil/Loose Gravel Signing Guidelines

The following paragraph reflects changes to the FRESH OIL, LOOSE GRAVEL and FRESH OIL/LOOSE GRAVEL signing guidelines included in the *Traffic Control for Field Operations* manual. This new guideline, which expands the use of the combination FRESH OIL/LOOSE GRAVEL sign, thereby, reducing the number of signs to install, is effective immediately and will be incorporated into the next revision of the referenced document.

When needed, FRESH OIL, LOOSE GRAVEL or FRESH OIL/LOOSE GRAVEL signs, as applicable, shall be incorporated into the advance warning signs at the prescribed spacing. Signs should also be installed within 150 feet after the intersection of a state highway and at one-mile spacing throughout the affected area. Upon the discretion of the supervisor, additional signs may be installed within 150 feet after other intersections. When a sign placed at the one-mile interval and one placed after an intersection fall within one-eighth mile of each other, the sign placed at the one-mile interval may be eliminated.

This change may affect your district's work zone sign order, as necessitated by the upgrade to fluorescent orange sheeting. Therefore, I ask that your district staff review requested quantities per these new guidelines and adjust them accordingly.

Please ensure this information is forwarded to those who may be affected by the changes. Should you require any clarification, contact Scott Stotlemeyer, technical support engineermaintenance, at 573-526-1759 or stotls. Thank you.

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Note: These signs will continue to be made available in 36" x 36" diamonds. This size enables the signs to be installed on just a single post.